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I'm sorry I was unable to attend either public scoping meeting. I did hear that at one of those meetings staff mentioned that plans were being developed to limit boat speed and access on some waterways in order to reduce levee erosion. I am involved in boating, agriculture and Delta protection so have a fair perspective of the problem. While boat wakes certainly contribute to levee erosion boating restrictions need to be accomplished in a way that involves boaters in order for the restrictions to be effective and acceptable.

I would strongly encourage you to involve boating organizations in any planning process that restricts boating. A few organizations that could help you accomplish this are Delta Chamber of Commerce, Pacific Inter Club Yachting Association, Recreational Boaters of CA., and the many Delta Marinas, and Yacht and boating clubs.